# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1338
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AWARENESS ABOUT IMPACTS OF NATURAL CALAMITIES
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have made any efforts to create awareness among people to lessen the adverse impacts of natural calamities;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (c): It is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments to provide reliefto the people affected in the wake of natural calamities as also undertake awareness programmes. However, the Central Government, under its scheme, supplements the efforts of the State Governments and NGOs in creating public awareness.Such activities include workshops/seminars, quiz competition, essay and painting competition, slogan contest, publicity material. Last year`s theme for Disaster Reduction was `Public Awareness and Community Participation` and this year`s theme is `Self help is Best help`.